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OF THE

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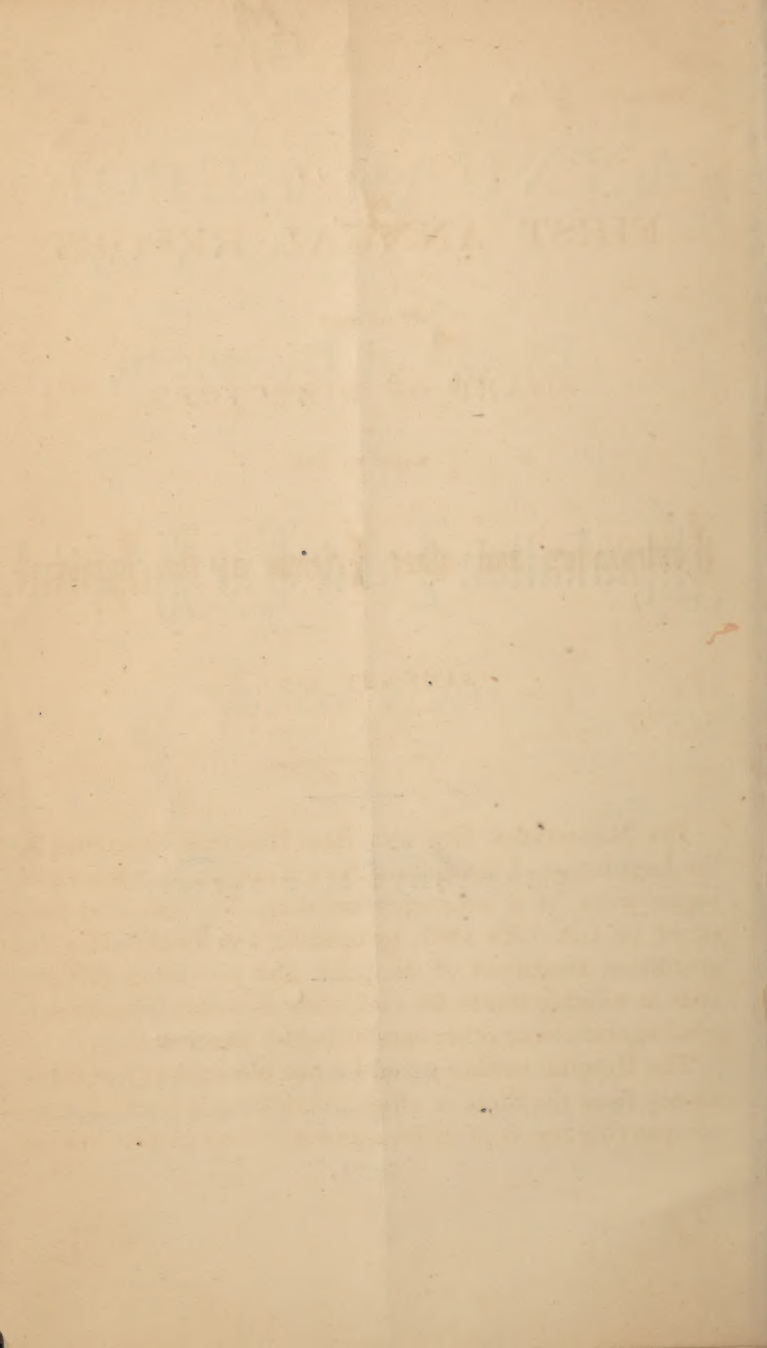
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FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS,

MADE TO THE

Contributors and other Friends of the Hospital,

JANUARY, 1871.

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THE MANHATTAN EYE AND EAR HOSPITAL, chartered by the Legislature of the State of New York, on May 5th 1869, began work in a temporary building, No. 233 East 34th street, on Oct. 15th 1869, by opening a daily clinic for the gratuitous treatment of the poor, and providing thirteen beds in suitable wards for such cases as might require surgical operations or other careful indoor treatment.

The Hospital neither asked for nor received any grant of money from the State or other public treasury, and the accompanying report of its Treasurer will show that its income

has been derived entirely from the gifts of the benevolent and from such indoor patients as could be induced to pay, in part or in whole, the cost of their maintenance while experiencing its ministrations.

The Board of Directors, its Officers, as well as the members of the Surgical Staff, serve gratuitously, so that the receipts go directly and entirely to defray the expenses incurred in lodging, boarding and treating the beneficiaries, and no money is paid out except upon the order of a meeting of the Executive Committee, and accounted for upon separate written vouchers duly signed, audited and filed.

As the intention was to found a charity, one of the first acts was to secure a site for a permanent building in a central locality. For this purpose a plot of ground was purchased on the South East corner of Park Avenue and Forty-first Street, having a frontage of one hundred feet on the Avenue by eighty feet on the side street, at a cost of fifty thousand dollars. Upon this fifteen thousand dollars have been paid, while its value has been increased by the proximity of the Grand Railway Station to one hundred thousand dollars. As the Hospital must live by the contributions of its benevolent friends, and as those who have already given of their money towards its support and endowment have a right to know what has been done with their money, the first annual report of the Treasurer showing receipts and expenditures, is herewith appended in the hope that early friends may be retained and new ones led to aid an enterprise which has for its object the alleviation of the sufferings of the poor, the prevention of pauperism, and the cultivation and diffusion of sound knowledge in all that relates to the diseases of the Eye and Ear.

The affairs of the Hospital are managed by the following board of Directors and its Committees :

WILLIAM PATON,	E. G. LORING, JR.,
WILLIAM BUTLER DUNCAN,	D. B. ST. JOHN ROOSA,
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CORNELIUS R. AGNEW,	ALBERT J. MILBANK,
A. G. AGNEW,	*D. E. HAWLEY.

The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, which meets monthly consists of the following persons :

JAMES, A. ROOSEVELT, *Chairman.*

D. B. ST. JOHN ROOSA, *Secretary.*

A. G. P. DODGE,	D. S. EGGLESTON,
S. M. BLAKE,	GEO. T. STRONG,
WM. PATON,	WM. H. BROWN,
WM. BUTLER DUNCAN,	C. R. AGNEW,
	E. G. LORING, JR.

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MESSRS. A. G. P. DODGE, *Chairman.*

W. B. CROSBY, *Secretary.*

JAMES A. ROOSEVELT,	D. S. EGGLESTON,
O. HARRIMAN,	WM. PATON,
WM. BUTLER DUNCAN,	CHARLES LANIER,
	C. R. AGNEW.

*Resigned.

The Medical and Surgical Staff is composed of
 C. R. AGNEW, M. D. E. G. LORING, JR., M. D.
 D. B. ST. JOHN ROOSA, M. D.

ASSISTED BY

O. D. POMEROY, M. D. C. I. PARDEE, M. D.
 F. R. STURGIS, M. D. C. S. BULL, M. D.
 DR. EDWARD CURTIS, *Microscopist*.

The present House Surgeon is Dr. D. R. Ambrose. Mr. S. C. Parry and his wife perform, respectively, the duties of Superintendent and Matron. The Hospital is always and at all hours open for the reception of indoor patients, and daily, Sundays excepted, at 2 o'clock P. M., for such as may attend gratuitously the Dispensary for the outdoor service.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Surgeons to the Board of Directors.

GENTLEMEN :

The Surgeons would report that from October 15th, 1869, to December 31st 1870, a period of one year, two months and sixteen days, seventeen hundred and seventeen cases of diseases of the Eye and Ear have been treated.

Total number of cases of Diseases of the Eye .. 1227

Total number of cases of Diseases of the Ear... 430

Diagnosis not made..... 60

1717

Number of Surgical operations performed..... 294

DISEASES OF THE EYE.

AFFECTIONS OF THE CONJUNCTIVA.

Simple conjunctivitis.....151

Blenorrhœal “ 97

Phlyctenular “ 38

Trachoma 28

Traumatic conjunctivitis.....	2
Pterygium.....	8
Foreign body in upper cul-de-sac.....	2
Symblepheron and anchyloblepheron.....	1
Ecchymosis of conjunctiva.....	1
Chemosis “ “	1

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AFFECTIONS OF LACHRYMAL APPARATUS.

Stillicidium lachrymarum.....	5
Obstruction of lachrymal ducts.....	20
“ “ punctum... ..	3
Occlusion of canaliculus.....	1
Abscess of lachrymal sac.....	8
Dacryocystitis	22
Fistula of lachrymal sac.....	1
Catarrh of nasal duct.....	2
Hypertrophy of caruncle.....	1
Eversion of Punctum.....	1

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AFFECTIONS OF THE LIDS.

Pediculi ciliarum.....	1
Blepharo-adenitis.....	8
Blepharitis	39
Distichiasis	1
Epithelioma of lid.....	2
Incised wound of eyebrow.....	1
Encysted tumor of lid.....	2
Tinia ciliaris.....	4
Hordeolum	10
Chalazion	2
Ectropion	5

Entropion.....	12
Lupus of lid.....	1
Tarsal tumor.....	4
Cellulitis palpebrarum.....	1
Ecchymosis of lid.....	1
Emphysema “ “.....	1
Edema “ “.....	2
Abscess “ “.....	2
Infarction of Meibomian Glands.....	1
Inverted ciliæ.....	2
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AFFECTIONS OF CORNEA AND SCLERA.

Keratitis.....	102
Phlyctenular Keratitis.....	47
Interstitial “.....	10
Opacity of cornea.....	38
Leucoma.....	13
Staphyloma cornea.....	13
Foreign body on the cornea.....	33
Perforating wound of cornea.....	2
Kerato-iritis.....	19
Traumatic Keratitis.....	4
Keratitis with hypopion.....	2
Contusion of cornea.....	1
Pannus with granular lids.....	35
Abscess of cornea.....	2
Foreign body in sclera.....	1
Scleritis.....	2
Episcleritis.....	1
Staphyloma of sclera.....	1
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AFFECTIONS OF IRIS, CILIARY BODY AND CHOROID.

Iritis	16
“ traumatic	2
Irido-choroiditis	15
Synechia anterior	6
“ posterior	6
Mydriasis	3
Cyclitis	1
Choroiditis	11
“ disseminata	1
Glaucoma	5
Sclero-choroiditis posterior	4
Atrophy of choroid	2
Dialysis of Iris	1
Irido-cyclitis	1
Rupture of choroid	1
Wound of ciliary body (perforating)	1
Occlusion of pupil, from injury	1

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AFFECTIONS OF RETINA AND OPTIC NERVE.

Hyperæmia of retina	1
Retinitis	4
Detachment of retina	2
Neuritis	20
Neuro-retinitis	13
Atrophy of nerve	22
Glioma retinae	1
Neuro-choroiditis	1
Neuro choroidal congestion	1
Atrophy of nerve and choroid	2

Atrophy of retina and choroid.....	1
Amaurosis	1

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AFFECTIONS OF LENS AND CAPSULE.

Cataract senile.....	73
“ diabetic	1
“ congenital	4
“ traumatic.....	14
“ capsular	2
“ secondary.....	2
“ complicated.....	6
Dislocation of lens i to ant. chamber.....	1

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AFFECTIONS OF THE VITREOUS.

Floating bodies in the vitreous.....	1
Opacity of the vitreous.....	1
Synchesis scintillans.....	1
Hemorrhage into vitreous.....	1

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AFFECTIONS OF MUSCULAR AND NERVOUS APPARATUS.

Strabismus convergens.....	32
“ divergens	7
Insufficiency of internal recti.....	6
Paralysis of orbicularis-palpebrarum.....	1
Blepharospasm.....	1
Paralysis of levator palpebræ.....	1
Paresis of 7th pair.....	2
“ “ 5th.....	3
External rectus.....	1

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ERRORS OF REFRACTION AND ACCOMMODATION.

Hypermetropia	25
Myopia	13
Astigmatism	6
Presbyopia	8
Asthenopia	8
Myopia and insufficiency of int. rectus..	1
Astigmastism irregular.....	1

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LESIONS OF THE GLOBE.

Phthisis Bulbi	26
Panophthalmitis, traumatic	4
Injury of Globe	4

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LESIONS OF THE ORBIT.

Cellulitis of orbit	1
Canceroid tumor of orbit and globe	1
Encysted tumor above lachrymal sac	1

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Grand total of eye cases.....1227

DISEASES OF THE EAR.

AURICLES.

Abscess of lobe.....:	2
Ulcer " "	1
Hematoma auris traumatica	1

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EXTERNAL. AUDITORY CANAL.

Eczema	6
Otitis Externa.....	20
Impacted cerumen.....	29
Furuncle.....	11
Foreign body in ext. aud. canal.....	6
Herpes	1
Hemorrhage from ext. aud. canal.....	1
Abscess below lobe.....	1
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MIDDLE EAR.

Otitis media acuta....	43
“ “ chronica.....	134
“ “ suppurativa cum perfor.....	81
“ “ “ “ polypi.....	11
“ “ chronica “ perfor.....	7
“ “ “ with tubal catarrh.....	12
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EUSTACHIAN TUBE.

Tubal catarrh.....	36
“ “ purulent.....	1
“ “ and impacted cerumen.....	3
“ “ and naso-pharyngeal catarrh.....	12
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INTERNAL EAR.

Disease of labyrinth.....	2
Deaf mutism.....	3
Tinnitus aurium, cause unknown.....	2
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NARES AND PHARYNX.

Ulcer of pharynx, syphilitic.....	1
Pharyngitis follicular	2
Nasal polypus.....	1
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Total number of ear cases.....	430
Cases unaccounted for.....	60
Total number of eye cases.....	1227
“ “ “ ear “	430
Cases unaccounted for..	61
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Total.....	1717

OPERATIONS.

Enucleation for sympathetic ophthalmie.....	9
“ “ anterior staphyloma.....	7
“ “ injury	2
“ “ glaucoma absolutum.....	1
Iridectomy “ congenital cataract	2
“ “ irido-choroiditis	4
“ “ artificial pupil.....	27
“ “ anterior staphyloma.....	2
“ “ diffuse Keratitis.....	2
“ “ posterior synechiæ.....	7
“ “ anterior “	3
“ “ ulcer of cornea.....	1
“ “ glaucoma	2
Iridotomy	3
Keratonyx for occlusion of pupil after extraction...	7
“ “ soft cataract.....	5
“ “ secondary cataract.....	2

Paracentesis for ulcer of cornea.....	4
“ “ iritis.....	14
“ “ Keratitis.....	10
Peritomy of cornea for pannus.....	1
Advancement of internal rectus.....	1
Tenotomy (Græfe) of internal rectus.....	13
“ “ external “.....	3
Bowman's operation on canaliculus.....	45
Operation for entropion (Arlt).....	8
Canthoplasty.....	33
Excision of tumor from lid.....	3
“ “ pterygium.....	4
“ “ tarsal tumor.....	3
Agnew's operation for capsular cataract.....	1
Operation for entropion.....	2
Removal of foreign body from cornea.....	29
“ “ chalazion.....	1
Excision of tarsal cartilage (Streatfield) for Entropion.....	4
Operation for symblepharon by ligature.....	1
Destruction of lachrymal sac (Agnew's).....	1
Removal of foreign body from sclera.....	1
Plastic operation for restoration of external canthus... ..	1
Extraction, peripheral linear (Græfe).....	22
“ linear (foreign body in lens).....	2
“ flap.....	3
Opening of mastoid abscess.....	1
Removal of foreign body from ext. aud. canal.....	4
“ “ polypus by Wilde's snare.....	7
<hr/> Total number of operations.....	294

CORNEAL FLAP EXTRACTIONS.

1. Lower Section. Iridectomy. Suppuration of capsule and edge of wound. Perception of light. Iridectomy six weeks subsequently. 47 days in Hospital. Result $v = \frac{1}{8}$.

2. Lower Section. No Iridectomy. Central pupil. Dismissed on 20th day. $v = \frac{1}{16}$. This subsequently became much more, according to letter from patient.

3. Lower Section. Iridectomy. Dismissed 18th day. $v = \frac{1}{6}$. $2\frac{1}{2}$ months after vision was found to be only $\frac{1}{40}$ on account of capsular obstruction of pupil.

The first House Surgeon was Dr. S. B. St. John, whose term of service began November 8th, 1869, and ended March 22d, 1870. The Doctor earned and held the respect and confidence of all with whom he came in contact, by his exercise of diligence, zeal, patience and gentle faithfulness. Dr. D. R. Ambrose succeeded Dr. St. John, and still holds office. To render a distribution of work more successful, the following gentlemen were elected to fill the positions of clinical assistants: Drs. O. D. POMEROY, F. R. STURGIS, C. I. PARDEE.

The duty of the last named officers is to be present at all times when the Dispensary is open, or special work going on in the wards, and to give aid to the Surgeons. To ensure system in the performance of this work, each one of the clinical assistants is associated with a particular surgeon, and attends when he attends. The work of the Hospital growing, it was thought necessary to add additional workers, and accordingly Dr. Pomeroy the senior clinical assistant was made, on December 2d, 1870, assistant surgeon, and Dr. C. S. Bull, clinical assistant. Dr. Edward Curtis was elected Microscopist on December 2d, 1870. Dr. Curtis

had for seven years held a most important place in the medical corps of the U. S. Army, contributing, by his industry and peculiar scientific attainments, to make the fame of the Army Medical Museum. To be able to command his services, reflects credit upon our Hospital.

Many cases have occurred in the experience of the year to illustrate the beneficent character of the work done by the Hospital, and as those who have given their money may naturally desire to learn how their contributions have been directed, we append a few.

An old man, who was once in affluent circumstances, but had lost his property, so that he was an object of charity, was brought to the Hospital blind. One eye was found to be hopelessly disorganized by disease, and the other fast becoming so. An operation was at once performed on the eye least diseased, and in which he could just distinguish light from darkness; it did not avail much however, and then, on consultation, it was decided to remove the most diseased eye, trusting that this radical procedure might be of benefit to the eye which was rapidly becoming as hopelessly affected. This was done; in a few days the sight of the remaining eye began slowly to improve and continued to do so until in about three months he was again able to read and write, and he is now earning his bread. This poor man was so destitute of means that he was not able to pay his board for one day of the three months he was in the Hospital, and but for its charity, his eyes would have very soon been beyond all hope.

A day laborer, with a family dependant upon him, had been blind for a year. He was led to the Hospital by a friend; he was found to have a cataract, which was removed by an operation, and in six weeks he was able to

leave the Hospital with sight enough for all ordinary purposes, and has now been at work for a year. He was also unable to pay his board.

A poor man, a widower, and his four small children, came into the Hospital with Ophthalmia, contracted in their overcrowded tenement from a child that had returned diseased from the Westchester Reformatory. They formed a piteous group, and were in immediate danger of blindness. They were ragged and unclean; special arrangements were made to cleanse, clothe and treat them and after prolonged and painstaking care, they were all saved from blindness.

An old lady, in reduced circumstances, was brought in blind with cataact, she was operated upon, and her sight restored, so that she could read and write the finest print or writing.

A man who had for many years occupied a fiduciary position, became blind and was brought to the Hospital, where he was operated upon for cataract, and his vision restored.

A poor seamstress, blind with cataract, was operated upon and her sight restored.

A poor old man who had for some years been shut up at his house by his relations as hopelessly blind, was brought to the Hospital, operated upon for cataract, and useful vision restored. So we might go on to narrate several scores of cases in which blindness was either cured or prevented.

What is said of the cases of disease of the Eye, holds true also with regard to cases of diseases of the Ear. In thus instancing cases which illustrate the work of our Hospital, we do not wish to be understood as claiming any peculiar credit to the exclusion of the claims of similar institutions; but only in order to hint in a cursory way at the results which may be obtained when the benevolent give the

means for the proper maintainance of well regulated medical charities. It will be seen by the Treasurer's Report, that we need money, and it is respectfully maintained that in no better way can money be disbursed for the physical benefit of the poor, than in preventing or curing maladies of the Eye or Ear, which unchecked or uncured reduce the industrious artisans to the ranks of unproductive paupers.

C. R. AGNEW, M. D.	} <i>Surgeons.</i>
E. G. LORING, Jr., M. D.	
D. B. ST. JOHN ROOSA, M. D.	

TREASURER'S REPORT.

CHARLES LANIER, *Treasurer, in account with* THE MANHATTAN EYE
AND EAR HOSPITAL. *Dr.*

To contributions as follows :

Wm. B. Duncan.....	\$2,000 00
Wm. Paton.....	1,500 00
Francis Skiddy.....	1,000 00
George Bliss.....	1,000 00
John J. Phelps.....	1,000 00
William Astor.....	1,000 00
M. K. Jessup.....	1,000 00
Stewart Brown.....	1,000 00
Thomas H. Faile.....	1,000 00
John J. Phelps, legacy (\$5,000, less \$300 Gov. tax).....	4,700 00
J. A. Roosevelt.....	1,000 00
Joseph Sampson.....	1,000 00
Isaac P. Martin.....	500 00
J. S. Kennedy.....	500 00
A. S. Hewitt.....	500 00
R. Colgate.....	500 00
Wm. H. Brown.....	500 00
A. G. P. Dodge, on account of donation of \$5,000.....	500 00
D. S. Egleston.....	500 00
Winslow, Lanier & Co.....	500 00
Harvey Fiske.....	500 00
James Brown.....	500 00
C. R. Agnew.....	360 00
Strong and Bidwell (in legal services).....	235 00
A. J. Milbank.....	250 00
Joseph Park, Jr.....	200 00
S. M. Blake, on account of donation of \$500.....	125 00
Mrs. Williston.....	120 00
J. H. Gourlie.....	100 00

W. Butler Duncan.....	\$100 00
A. Oakey Hall.....	100 00
Charles Lanier.....	100 00
Wm. Walter Phelps.....	100 00
James L. Jackson.....	100 00
Benjamin Nathan.....	100 00
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Mr. Hendricks.....	100 00
Wm. Harman Brown.....	100 00
Robert Bonner.....	100 00
H. E. Milford.....	100 00
Wm. E. Dodge.....	50 00
W. H. Osborn.....	50 00
Abram S. Hewitt.....	50 00
Anson Phelps Stokes.....	50 00
Marshall O. Roberts.....	50 00
R. L. and A. Stuart.....	50 00
Oliver Harriman.....	50 00
Thomas R. Agnew.....	50 00
Caswell, Hazard & Co.....	50 00
John David Wolfe.....	50 00
W. Tenney.....	50 00
Chas. Lanier.....	50 00
Wm. E. Dodge, Jr.....	50 00
Anson Phelps Stokes.....	50 00
Wm. E. Dodge.....	50 00
D. Edwin Hawley.....	50 00
M. K. Jessup.....	50 00
Cash (H. & B.).....	50 00
Columbia Law School.....	25 25
D. S. Egleston.....	25 00
Cash.....	25 00
D. S. Appleton.....	25 00
H. G. Marquand.....	25 00
S. H. Wales.....	25 00
Lawrence Turnure.....	25 00
A. J. Milbank.....	25 00
J. A. Bostwick.....	25 00
Edward Cooper.....	25 00
Robert Gordon.....	25 00

Wm. T. Blodgett.....	\$25 00
J. D. Vermilye.....	25 00
D. F. Appleton.....	25 00
F. S. Talmadge.....	25 00
Clarkson N. Potter.....	25 00
Theodore S. Fay.....	25 00
D. D. Lord.....	25 00
John T. Terry.....	25 00
Nellie Agnew.....	24 00
Abm. Hewitt.....	25 00
Wm. A. Cauldwell.....	20 00
D. B. St. John Roosa.....	28 50
Mrs. Mary B. Roosa.....	10 00
Mrs. S. M. Blake.....	10 00
Mrs. Dr. Loring.....	10 00
C. C. Shelton.....	10 00
Walter Edwards, Jr.....	10 00
Mrs. H. S. Clark.....	10 00
E. G. Ward.....	10 00
Charles A. Edwards.....	10 00
S. A. Couch.....	10 00
Robt. Carter.....	10 00
Chas. E. Milbank.....	10 00
Elisha Brooks.....	10 00
Ed. S. Brooks.....	10 00
Mrs. Wm. A. Cauldwell.....	10 00
S. W. Milbank.....	10 00
Ebenezer Cauldwell.....	10 00
Nathan Bishop.....	10 00
Geo. Pancoast.....	10 00
W. A. Booth.....	10 00
F. F. Marbury.....	10 00
Robt. Bliss.....	10 00
Cash, (W. T. Coleman).....	10 00
Mr. Isaacs.....	10 00
B. Baldwin.....	10 00
James A. Bishop.....	5 00
B. Van Vliet.....	5 00
Mrs. Ebenezer Cauldwell.....	5 00
Nellie Agnew.....	5 00
W. P. Agnew.....	5 00

Cash	\$5 00
Cash, (Mr. Godkin)	5 00
Cash, (Mr. Parkin)	5 00
Cash, (Mr. Wells)	5 00
Wm. R. Dunton	5 00
W. P. Agnew, 2d Sub	1 20
From Donations at Hospital	101 50
From Coupons of N. Y. & N. H. Railroad Bond	120 25
From all other sources	13 66
Balance due Duncan, Sherman & Co	1,544 37
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	\$28,383 73

By Cash paid as follows:

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Part purchase money of Site of Hospital, corner 41st St. and Park Avenue	10,000 00
To reduce Bond and Mortgage on same	5,000 00
Interest on Bond and Mortgage, etc	4,076 03
Taxes	490 39
Expenses, (miscellaneous)	656 77
Furnishing	1,076 13
Medicine and Surgical Instruments	365 96
Gas	102 55
Stationery	81 67
Fuel	406 25
Advertising	51 00
Printing	85 75
Salary (of Superintendent)	400 00
Board of Charity patients	1,427 50
Rent for sixteen months, of temporary building	3,594 16
Commission (for collecting)	529 45
Postage	40 12
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	\$28,383 73

ASSETS OF THE HOSPITAL.

Four lots S. E. corner Park Avenue and Forty-first Street, intended as site for the Hospital. Value above mortgage, at cost, 15,000 00

This property has enhanced in value by the establishment of the new Union Depot, and is considered by competent judges to be worth \$100,000, or \$65,000 above mortgage.

Balance remaining unpaid on Subscription of A. G. P. Dodge..... 4,500 00

New Haven Railroad Bond, contribution of H. K. Corning—at par, 1,000 00

Balance remaining unpaid on subscription of S. M. Blake..... 375 00

\$20,875 00

New York, Dec. 31, 1870.

WM. B. CROSBY,
Secretary of Finance Committee.